## **Environmental Epidemiology Partners**

Working together for the health of communities

#### Acronym Guide

ATSDR – U.S. Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry

DNR - Indiana Department of Natural Resources

EPA – U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

IDEM – Indiana Department of Environmental Management

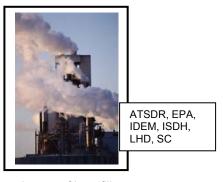
ISDH - Indiana State Department of Health

LHD – Local Health Departments (within Indiana)

SC - (Indiana) State Chemist



**Exposure Investigations** 



Impact of Landfill



**Health Consultations** 



**Public Meetings** 

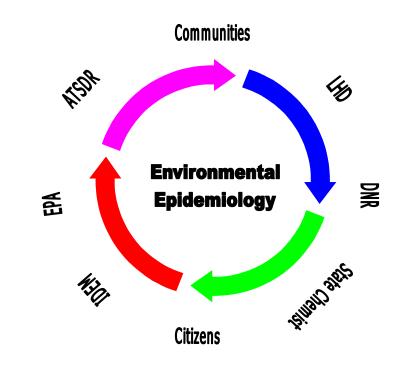


Fish Advisory



**Biological Sampling** 

# **ENVIRONMENTAL EPIDEMIOLOGY**Indiana State Department of Health



Bringing communities and government together to reduce and prevent exposure to environmental contaminants

# **Environmental Epidemiology Section**

#### **Facts and Responsibilities**

- Created in 1988
- > Serves as the State focal point for environmental health issues related to chemical exposure
- Provides assessment on the impact of hazardous waste sites in relation to human health
- Issues health advisories to protect human health from chemical exposure
- Performs epidemiological/toxicological investigations and/or site-specific biological testing of populations potentially exposed to a chemical(s)
- Issues the annual Indiana Fish Consumption Advisory through collaboration among the following State agencies: IDEM, ISDH, and DNR
- Issues fact sheets on chemicals and/or site-specific contaminants
- Provides training for physicians and nurses, focusing on recognizing the signs and symptoms of chemical exposure



### **Environmental Health Resources**

# Indiana State Department of Health Environmental Epidemiology Section

- Chemical Fact Sheets
- Site-specific Fact Sheets
- Environmental Epidemiology Exhibit
- Indiana Fish Consumption Advisory
- Health Education Needs Assessment/Training for Communities and Professionals

### United States Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry

- > Toxicological Profiles on Specific Chemicals
- Case Studies in Environmental Medicine

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